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EDITORIAL

Well, have you seen it yet? what? the new noticeboard at the busway stop of course! We at The Meridian are very proud of it so I hope you will be too. There is such a lot to see in Swavesey and summer is the ideal time to do just that. Use the app on the map to download information on the many footpaths around the village - put on your walking shoes and explore.

One important point- the board is designed so that village events can be publicised and posters can be easily seen- if you want to publicise an event then contact April Martin who has the key.

It is not however for commercial advertising so please do not ask, and any unauthorised notices that are stuck to the outside will be removed (I am sure you would not do this). August is when many of you take your holidays so enjoy them, and September is when some organisations have new committees. If this is so with your group please remember to tell us so we can keep our club information up to date.

Deadline for the next issue is **20th August** but please send items direct to Alan Morris (alan.morris2@ntlworld.com) as your editor is away and will not be back until after the deadline.

Thanks
Editor

Cover Image - W I Centenary

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Major Events List

This list is intended to avoid major events clashing on the same day. It will only work if we are advised of all such events, so please let us know as soon as you can confirm the details.

A form is available at the back of this magazine. We will list them in this section of the Magazine and also on our website at www.swavesey.org.uk

2015

Saturday, September 12, Big Band Concert in a giant marque on The Green
The Blues Brothers and full supporting cast, Simon Shore, (01954) 230848

Saturday & Sunday, November 28 & 29, Cambridge Open Art Exhibition at Swavesey Village College, Ellen Nowak, (01954) 234476

Saturday & Sunday, December 12 & 13, Christmas Tree Festival in St Andrews Church, Revd John-David Yule, (01954) 231903

2016

Friday, Saturday & Sunday, January 22, 23 & 24, Christmas Pantomime: Aladdin - Adventures in the East by Suzan Holder at Swavesey Venue at the Village College, Sarah Pearson, committee@swaveseyradsoc.org

August		
Saturday 1	The White Horse Inn	Blue Thunder Rock Covers Band at The White Horse
Wednesday 5	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins
Wednesday 12	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
Wednesday 19	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins
Monday 24	Swavesey Parish Council	Parish Council Meeting - Full Council Meeting 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall
Wednesday 26	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
September		
Thursday 3	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins (Note Thursday)
Wednesday 9	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
Saturday 12	Swavesey Festival Committee	Big Band Concert in a giant marquee on The Green. The Blues Brothers and full supporting cast
Wednesday 16	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins
Thursday 17	Swavesey Windmill	PTA magic show, contact Swavesey primary School PTA
Friday 18	Swavesey Windmill	Macmillans Coffee Morning 10.30 am at Swavesey Windmill
Saturday 19	Swavesey Women's Institute	Swavesey WI Cakes and Jam Stall + Hale Road Allotments fruit and vegetables. 8.00am in the Market Street. Early rush expected so hurry.
Wednesday 23	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
Monday 28	Swavesey Parish Council	Parish Council Meeting - Full Council Meeting 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall
Wednesday 30	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins
October		
Wednesday 7	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection

Swavesey Spartans

A busy Summer comes to an end

As you read this article the Spartans players will be looking forward to a new season of football. The 2015/16 season will be underway as soon as the schools open for their autumn terms in September. The summer has seen the club celebrating the 2014/15 season at our annual gathering on Father's Day on Swavesey Green, satisfying the governance inputs necessary from a children's football club and a hugely successful 2015/16 signing on evening on the first Thursday in July. 2015/16 will bring new challenges especially for those key young people playing organised games for the first time whilst living the Spartans club values "TREE" (Teamwork, Respect, Enjoyment, Excellence). The club will continue its quest to become an FA Development Club and strive to reach FA Community Club Standard as well as continuing to benefit from being a Cambridge United Partner Club. These ambitions have been helped with 2 of our coaches (Kevin Ward and Ewan Tester) passing their Level 2 coaching badges this summer; well done guys and that was just to find 75 hours of your own time each never mind passing the exam as well. Our next objective to get the Green fit for purpose during the winter months; working jointly with the Parish Council things continue to move forward; that said hoping that the problem will be solved for the forthcoming winter is probably too ambitious especially as the club continues to thrive and expand. The 2 pleas to villagers are to support the Swavesey Green project and now we start to play on the Green again can litter and any mess made by dogs be cleared away - the safety of our players is of paramount importance to us. Thank you in anticipation of your continued support on these matters. Contact details for the club are at the back of this edition as usual, please do not hesitate to get in touch if you want anything clarifying.

Spartans Day

21 June brought the 2014/15 season to an end with our intra-club tournaments, recognition of every player's contribution and congratulations for our players of the year and most improved players who feature in the Cambridgeshire FA leagues during the season that has just ended. A dry day, pitches, trophies, refreshments and most importantly our players, coaches and parents all arrived as expected. From 1100 until 1600 the boys and girls all enjoyed organised games of tournament football against each other. Parents mingled with each other and the coaches proved that their refereeing skills were not as good on the pitch as they are on the touchline..... Trophies were presented with this year's award winners highlighted below. Most importantly the children had a fun day although some clearly had no intention of providing their Dad with a Father's Day meal at any other place than Sam's Kebabs or was that down to parents again?



Swavesey Spartans - 2014/15 Award Winners League Teams Only

Under 17 boys

Managers most improved player of the year-
Charlie Edwards-Ainge

Managers player of the year- Christian Marin
Players player of the year- Archie Temel

Under 15 boys

Managers most improved player of the year-
Kailan Naidoo

Managers player of the year-Conor Jones
Players player of the year- Callum Seabridge

Under 13 boys

Managers most improved player of the year-
Max Tait

Managers player of the year- Daniel Cundy
Players player of the year-Tommy Mott

Under 12 boys

Managers most improved player of the year-
Daniel Hurst

Managers player of the year-Samuel Hitchins
Players player of the year-Zac Woodward

Under 11 boys

Most Improved player of the year-
Jake Thurston

Managers player of the year Oliver Daniel
Players player of the year Josh Stokes

Under 10 boys

Managers most improved player of the year-
Isaac Molyneux

Managers player of the year- Freddy Rhead
Players player of the year- Harry Keegan

Under 9 boys

Managers most improved player of the year-
Samuel Dawson

Managers player of the year-Samuel Land
Players player of the year-Stanley Weir

Under 8 boys

Managers most improved player of the year-
Tom Sprawson

Managers player of the year-Charlie Coxall
Players player of the year- Elliot Mills

Under 14's Girls

Managers most improved player of the year-
Meadow Woolridge

Managers player of the year- Rosie Flack
Players player of the year- Stacy Askew

Under 12's Girls

Managers most improved player of the year-
Ellie Barnes

Managers player of the year- Megan Mullally
Players player of the year- Teagan Collier

Under 10's Girls

Managers most improved player of the year-
Anika Veit

Managers player of the year- Xanthe Evans
Players player of the year-
Jennifer Fairweather

Swavesey W I

W.I. CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS IN SEPTEMBER

As many of you are probably aware, 2015 is the Centenary Year of the W.I. Movement and Swavesey W.I. have planned a week of celebrations to mark this very special occasion.

Please look out for posters in the village advertising our events and if you would like to know more contact me, Deidre Burgess 01954230897 or Linda Saunders Swavesey W.I. President 01954 201162.

Our programme is as follows:

MONDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

Craft Group 1.30-3.30pm Memorial Hall All welcome, join us for Tea and Cake!
Swavesey W.I. Monthly Meeting 7.30pm Memorial Hall "African Drumming" by Kirsty Body.
Cutting the Centenary Cake

WEDNESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER W.I. CENTENARY DAY

W.I. to host a Community Event a CHILDRENS TEA PARTY 3.30-5pm Memorial Hall
Tickets available from Linda Saunders 01954 201162
Look out for posters!

THURSDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER

Darts open evening at The White Horse Inn Swavesey 7.30pm All welcome.

SATURDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER

CAKE AND PRODUCE STALL MARKET ST SWAVESY 8AM UNTIL SOLD OUT!
Swavesey W.I. and the Hale Road Allotments Association are joining forces to give you an amazing array of Cakes, Preserves, Plants, Fresh Fruit and vegetables
Do come along and support us, you will be in for a real treat! Get there early for the best bargains.
Look out for posters!

We look forward to meeting you at these events. Come and join in our celebrations.

For further information call Deidre Burgess 01954 230897 and our website is:
www.swavesey-womens-institute.org.uk

FURTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

October 12 th	Operation Christmas Child	By David Collins
November 9 th	A Spy Who Loved	By Clare Mulley

Swavesey & District History Society

The May meeting. Kasia Gdaniec was a brilliant speaker. She is so knowledgeable about the archaeology in the fenland that she kept us enthralled for so long we forgot to have coffee. She explained that the fens were grassland plains with woods of deciduous trees, pine forests, rivers and ponds until the rising sea levels cut us off from Holland. It was fascinating to have the unique landscape explained. She painted such clear verbal pictures about how people settled on the dry parts, how they lived, built shelters, found food, began to grow crops on the habitable parts and travelled about. We learnt about the Ouse washes and the draining of the fens. She told us that an enormous amount of archaeology has been found all over from the Beaker people, the Bronze Age, the Iron Age, and the Romans. Longstanton tended to be Saxon and Swavesey mediaeval. Items of imported pottery showed trading links. At one time the production of salt in the Fens was important. She was particularly excited about the discovery of a wooden boat decorated with crisscross design cuts dated from 950 BC. This is to be seen at Flag Fen. All this and so much more!

There is an Ouse Washes Landscape Partnership scheme which is funded by the Heritage Lottery, focusing on the distinctively rural, open and tranquil landscape surrounding the Ouse Washes and its unique heritage – details to be found on line.

The June meeting began with Keith Taylor giving an illustrated talk about Mary Broad of Fowey, Cornwall. She was born in 1765. For reasons of poverty she did some petty stealing but when this expanded into a highway robbery in which she stole a bonnet and purse belonging to the wife of the Plymouth JP she was caught, tried, sentenced to 7 years transportation to Australia and sent out in the first Fleet to transport convicts. She gave birth to a child on the voyage, father unknown. Whilst in the Botany Bay prison colony in Australia she married William Bryant, a fellow Cornishman who was an experienced sailor and they had a child. To cut a long and interesting story short they stole a boat with six oars, procured a binnacle and a piece of sailcloth, and with six others set off north inside the barrier reef. They were finally caught in Batavia, a Dutch Trading Port, and sent back to England. By this time both her children had died. Mary spent a year in Newgate Prison. Her case was taken up by James Boswell, who thought she had been too harshly treated. She was finally released and returned to Fowey but here the trail went cold. Keith's interest in Mary is based on the fact that his mother's maiden name was Broad. He has traced her family back to the 1600's and is struggling to find the final link between Mary's ancestors and his mother's ancestors.

After coffee Jenny Taylor told the story of Lucy, her maternal great grandmother. When she was a little girl she had been told that her grandmother Emily had been born in Christchurch, New Zealand, but her mother had run away to England with a married man taking her children with her. He returned to New Zealand to settle his affairs but the ship went down. Lucy and children remained in England.

Just before a holiday to New Zealand in 2007 by a quirk of fate some old tattered documents were found among an old aunt's belongings. There was the marriage certificate of Lucy

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RADSOC

Swavesey RADSOC will be performing this year as their popular
Christmas Pantomime:

Aladdin - Adventures in the East by Suzan Holder

With performances on:-
Friday 22, Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 January 2016
at Swavesey Venue at the Village College.

At the time of print the read through and auditions will have been held but please contact Alan Winfield the Director on 01954 232661 if you would like to enquire about any roles still available or to be involved in any other way.

COME AND JOIN US

Full summer hasn't arrived in Swavesey yet, but we have already reached the end of our 2014-15 programme; we are breaking up until the autumn and won't meet again until Sept 3rd when we have our traditional Welcome Evening. This of course is a free evening open to all, when we hope many of you will come along to meet us, and enjoy audio-visual shows and photographs from several of our members. On this evening our new programme for 2015-16 will be revealed. Our Programme Secretary, Peter Bush, has arranged top-class evenings for us: workshops, outings, social events, competitions and many talks from top-class speakers, all very generous with advice and suggestions to improve our photography.

2015-16 will be the last programme organised by Peter; it is the most demanding post on the committee, and he will hand over to another this year. Meanwhile we can enjoy his excellent choice of events. As the deadline for this magazine is so early I am in the rare and fortunate position amongst our members to have been let into the secret of what we can look forward to in the coming year, but I am only allowed to reveal the dates for September. On 17th Sept. one of our regular judges, the popular Liz Hatton, will come along to help us judge our own work. In groups of four or five we will provide images for consideration, then with help from Liz, select the favourites for submission to the whole Club. The overall winner will receive a bottle of wine. Garry Coles will visit us on 24th Sept; he gained his LRPS as far back as 1988 with his darkroom black and white panel. He will tell us how he switched to digital, show us his work since 2009 and explain the techniques he uses.

I have saved one event to last because it illustrates something we have been telling you about for long time. Our club is obviously photography based, but many of our lectures have a much wider appeal to the whole community. Are we a hidden asset for the village? All of us go to the choirs concerts, the school shows, and our own exhibition has become a much-enjoyed village event. Last year we had many evenings of interest to those who probably wouldn't know which way up to hold a camera (and have little desire to do so) but share our love of wildlife or travel. Several guests came to Jane's talk on the Falklands, for example; on other nights we had talks on life with the Antarctic Survey, a trip to Machu Pichu and the Road to Mandalay. I have saved this item to last as I feel this is just one of these events; on Sept. 10th George McCarthy will entertain us with 'The USA Road Trip'. George and his wife Angie took the plunge, flew to the States, bought a Winnebago and spent a year travelling from the Atlantic to the Pacific, Alaska to Mexico (in your dreams. Mo). This would be of interest to so many in the wider community; please remember you could spend an enjoyable evening with us for a mere £4 entry fee. I can already tip you off that later in the year there will be other talks on life in Antarctica, also the story of Shackleton. If you decide to join the club you get your £4 back, (you don't get that offer at the cinema!).

Hope to see you in September,

Mo Hadfield
Swavesey Camera Club.
<http://swaveseycameraclub.co.uk>
info@swaveseycc.org.uk

Strawberries, gooseberries, raspberries and currants

The 2015 season started well at Hale Road allotments with the delivery of 44 tonnes of compost (soil improver) on 9 April. This brought the total amount of organic manure to just over 150 tonnes delivered in 12 months, which far exceeds the amount that a commercial farmer would be legally permitted to spread on a little over 1 hectare of agricultural land under the Nitrate Vulnerable Zones legislation. Fortunately these rules do not apply to allotment land else some of us could end up in jail. If a wheelbarrow typically holds around 30 kg of manure this means our plot holders have shifted about 5,000 wheelbarrow loads from the car park to their plots in a year. This gives a measure of their enthusiasm and tenacity.

Things looked good from early on with large crops of rhubarb being harvested in spring. Many plot holders had planted asparagus in April/May 2013 and by May this year there were some heavy crops of high quality asparagus on site. With a fair wind behind them, and there is plenty of that across our site which is why there is a windmill nearby, these asparagus beds should carry on cropping well for 30 years and more. The first strawberries were picked in early June and it was clear by then that the other soft fruit would produce bumper crops. Towards the end of the month freezers were becoming full of strawberries and large amounts had been given away to friends and neighbours. Many gooseberry pies were also made during June. Then the black, red and white currants reached maturity and raspberries followed soon after. There are only so many summer puddings that a family can eat. Many jars of raspberry jam were made during July but there are still the autumn fruiting raspberries to come and they crop from August through to October. Whereas in previous years many found that they were growing too many courgettes and runner beans, some are now thinking they have too many raspberry canes and blackcurrant bushes.

On Saturday 18 July we had a stand at Over Carnival to raise funds. There we sold produce from our plots along with spare copies of a book on British birds and our famous recipe book which we produced a year earlier. The recipe on roast cormorant was flaunted as an example of one of the more unusual meals to prepare. If you would like your own copy, get in touch with Selwyn.

At the end of the month on Thursday 30 July we ran Compass Café at the Bethel Baptist church. Whereas other groups normally supply straightforward coffee/tea and cakes we brought in a range of vegetables and fruit for sale which had been picked from the allotment plots within the hour and the freshness of the produce was a major attraction to customers. There were six plot holders on duty and we had a range of eight gaudily decorated cakes on the counter.

Talking of cakes and allotment produce, there is a popular tradition in Swavesey for the Women's Institute to set up a cake stall each autumn in Market Street. This year it will be even bigger and better because Hale Road Allotments will sell vegetables and fruit on a stall alongside the WI cakes. This exciting sale will take place on Saturday 19 September starting at 08.00 a.m. so put it in your diary now. Come and buy some of the freshest produce available - but hurry because history shows that most produce is likely to be gone by 09.00 a.m.

Finally, on a 60-plot site there is inevitable turnover of ownership during the winter period so if you would like to join on the end of our short waiting list phone Selwyn on 01954 202974.

Swavesey Community Choir

Wow, what a wonderful evening of Summer music. Thank you to Kate and Alex Woolf for a stunning 2nd half. "Send in the clowns" had the audience visibly moved. And what a change of programme for the choir. It certainly brought out the fun side of the choir, with a few surprise actions, dances and wigs!!! I hope you enjoyed the repertoire.

So, that's us done until September when we will back rehearsing for our Christmas Concert and we hope that many of you will join us for that. Look out for the local publicity and please remember that there are tickets available on the door at our concerts

We also have a Facebook page so please have a look at that for concert information and like us on there.

Please do come along and support your community choir.

Please take a look at our website for details of the choir, past performances and future plans www.swaveseycommunitychoir.co.uk.

We are delighted to welcome several new members to the choir but we are always looking for new members, particularly younger members, so why not come along and give it a try. We are a very friendly bunch meeting every Wednesday during term time at Swavesey Village College from 7.30 pm until 9.00 pm Please contact me if you have any questions: Chrissie Richardson 07881 824095.

Happy Singing ☺



**giving
nature
a home**

This summer has seen the usual arrival of migrant birds that have been busy raising their chicks on the reserve. We have also been busy with a variety of projects, to help improve the reserve for both wildlife and visitors.

For visitors to the reserve we are putting in a new view point over the lakes. This project was funded by Heritage Lottery Fund, and supported by the Ouse Washes Landscape Partnership. They have also funded our ongoing work to change the signs and interpretation around the reserve.

To help support wildlife on the reserve over the summer, we have placed some new tern rafts on the lakes. These rafts serve as mini floating islands and provide places for the birds to nest and raise their chicks. Although these birds can nest on the shore they risk the eggs being eaten by predatory foxes and other mammals. Last year there were 33 nests on the tern rafts, so by placing more tern rafts on the lakes we are hoping for even more nests! *(Continued)*

The orchard is doing really well, we are very grateful not only to the local families and volunteers who planted it, but also to the volunteers who are continuing to water the trees over the summer.

We have a range of fun activities for families and groups to enjoy on the reserve in August and September. Details of all events will be available on the Fen Drayton Lakes website and we will look forward to seeing some of you on the reserve over the coming months.

Sarah Jane, Visitor Experience Officer

These are the events we currently have scheduled to run on the reserve:-

Beautiful Butterflies

Sunday 2 August 11am – 3pm

Join us and make a butterfly feeder for your garden and explore one of the many trails around the reserve.

Be a Wildlife Warden

Wednesday 5 August and Wednesday 19 August, 09.30am – 12.30pm

Our amazing wildlife Warden experience gives you the opportunity to get a unique insight into the world of managing a nature reserve. This is your chance to get your hands dirty and see what it's like to work on a reserve.

The morning will include surveying the lakes for underwater creatures, learning how to use binoculars and how to identify birds, making a giant bug home and question time with the wardens.

Booking is essential as spaces are limited to 6. Cost: £20.00 Telephone: 01954 233260.

Email:

fendraytonlakes@rspb.org.uk

Darting Dragonflies

Sunday 9 August, 10.30am – 12.30pm

Dragonfly and Damselfly expert John Harding will be leading a guided walk on the reserve, identifying the wonderful dragonflies and damselflies that live at Fen Drayton Lakes. Booking is essential for this event

Nature Explorers

Sunday 16 August 10am – 4pm

Have a go at Pond Dipping, try our self guided nature trails and scavenger hunts, and we also have adventure rucksacks to hire for children.

Nature Explorers

Sunday 23 August 10am – 4pm

Have a go at Pond Dipping, try our self guided nature trails and scavenger hunts, and we also have adventure rucksacks to hire for children.

Archaeological Dig Activities and Guided Walks

Various times between **Sunday 23 – 30th August** – see our website for details

A team of Archaeologists will be digging on the site of the remains of a roman villa, see our website for further details.

Nature Explorers

Sunday 30 August 10am – 4pm

Have a go at Pond Dipping, try our self guided nature trails and scavenger hunts, and we also have adventure rucksacks to hire for children.

Autumn Colours Photography

Sunday 27 September 11am – 3pm

Celebrate the different colours of Autumn through the magic of Photography, and create your own Andy Goldsworthy inspired sculptures to photograph. Must bring own camera.



THE GAMES TABLE

A Board Gaming Group in Swavesey

DO YOU ENJOY BOARD GAMES?

The Games Table board gaming group has been meeting every Wednesday evening for the two years. We meet in The Compass Café at Bethel Baptist Church from 7:30pm. There are currently 12 members of the group and every week we manage to get enough people around the table to play at least one game, and if there are enough people we can have more games playing.

We have over 100 games available for people to play; something to suit every taste. Whatever you experience we have a game that you will enjoy, and somebody to help you to play.

There is no cost to come and play. Tea and coffee is available during the evening, and people normally bring their own snacks and refreshments along to share.

We occasionally run Family Games Days on a Saturday.

If you want to find out more about The Games Table you can visit our website: www.thegamestable.org or email us on info@thegamestable.org, or just come along and play.

WEDNESDAY @ 7:30PM
THE COMPASS CAFÉ – BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

KEEP CALM AND PLAY TENNIS AT SWAVESEY AND OVER TENNIS CLUB

Complete beginners and experienced players welcome.
Annual membership from less than £1/week.

Please contact Gill: 07548 653549 (gwloislane@googlemail.com) or
Andy: 01954 231669 (ajs40@cam.ac.uk) for further details.

VILLAGE NEWS

HARRY COOPER

Mrs Vi Cooper and family would like to thank
friends and neighbours for their sympathy
and condolences for Harry's passing away.

Harry received almost 100 cards.

I am sure Harry will be missed by all.

Mrs V Cooper



OVER DAY CENTRE

Trustees required

The Over Day Centre is a thriving registered charity offering high quality day care for the frail and elderly of Over and the surrounding villages. We are looking for new Trustees to develop our role within the community and in particular to take on responsibility for the role of Trust Secretary.

The Trustee meetings are in the evenings at the Day Centre and are held on a bi-monthly basis. If you are interested in joining us and becoming part of a special team, or have any questions, please contact me directly.

Shona Johnstone

Email: shonafi@googlemail.com; Mobile: 07752 880344

Cambridge Open Art Exhibition

The above exhibition will again be held at Swavesey Village College on the weekend of 28/29 November. This was a huge success last year showing professional and amateur artworks and involving the students in all aspects of promoting and raising the exhibition. If you would like to enter the exhibition go to the website <http://atheatrarium.org.uk>. More details will follow in the next edition of Meridian. Perfect for Christmas gifts! Put the date in your diary!

SWAVESEY FESTIVAL 2016

Registered Charity No. 1128778

Good ideas needed for Swavesey Festival 2016 please

Planning is under way for next year's Swavesey Festival which will take place over eight days from Saturday 18 to Saturday 25 June 2016. It will be divided into three parts:

i). Open Village Weekend

This is largely sorted with a variety of village trails plus events in St Andrew's church, Bethel Baptist church, the Village College and the Memorial Hall. With a casino night and a jazz event at The Windmill.

ii). Mid-week Activities

This is where we need helpful suggestions from Swavesey residents for something new please. OK, we can arrange the usual things such as a family concert, a nature walk, rock & roll bingo, pond dipping, crazy whist, Community Choir performance, kids disco, comedy night etc. But we could do with something more dynamic to widen the appeal and bring in the crowds over the Monday to Friday evening period. Can you help with ideas please?

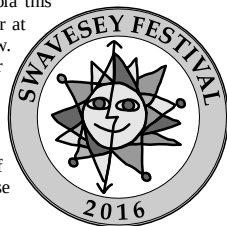
iii). Gala Day on the Green

The final Saturday will start with the parade through local streets to the green. The theme in 2016 will be "The Musicals". We are then looking for participation in –

- A display or performance in the central stage area – or on the stage. In 2014 this included performances from Swavesey Dance in Line, Cambridge Community Circus, Tang Soo Do, Zumba and dancers from the Gail Henry School of Dance. If you can show off your talents by arranging a similar slot in 2016 we would like to hear from you please.
- A stall on the green. Rather than a simple tombola this should ideally involve an activity or competition or at least sales. So start getting your ideas together now. This is a good way of raising funds for your club or society.

Festival 2014 will take a lot of beating but we would like to try to at least equal it for whole-family entertainment value in 2016. If you have suggestions or a way of participating during the week or on the Gala Day please contact Selwyn on 07731 585450

or at selwyn.richardson1@gmail.com.



Blues Brothers Rhythm & Blues Revue

Hundreds of customers will fill a giant marquee on Swavesey village green on Saturday 12 September 2015 for this blockbuster musical extravaganza. With 15 members of the Blues Brothers big band on stage and also featuring Swavesey's sensational new group, Grape Marmalade, in effervescent support. Details are in the poster on the inside front page of this issue of The Meridian.

www.swaveseyfestival.org.uk

Swavesey Festival 100 Club

Three winners each month receive £60 or £30 or £15. To take part in this popular competition phone Sally Unwin on 01954 230200. Recent winners include;

	£	May-15	Jun-15
First prize	60	Derek Shaw	Sue Speechley
Second prize	30	Sarah Hellon	Vikki Russell
Third prize	15	Audrey Caldwell	Stuart Faben



OUR FRIEND SANDRA QUIGLEY

Sandra spent many happy years in Swavesey, and we all missed her when she moved to Cornwall to be near her family. It came as an enormous shock to us all when her daughter rang to say she had died so suddenly. Here are a few thoughts from her close friends in the village.

For such a small woman you had such a big and kind heart and huge healing hands!! Will miss you. Love, John, Tina, Luke and Matthew

Only knew you for a relatively short time, but a time full of smiles, and calming conversation. Ralph (Percy)xxx

The night of 'Curry and Quiz' for Sandra's daughter's charity event, we went back to Sandra's for a few gins. We danced to a bit of

Buble to Mike's annoyance but after a few too many gins, ice turned to Whitebait and Sandra's lunch next day wasn't quite the same. Bev and Liza

Only one word can sum up Sandra for me, EXTRAORDINARY. We will miss her. Cheryl, Alex, Macy and Tom

Sharing a bottle of Baileys after spending a wonderful evening down at the river. Helen.

What a lovely woman she was. I can't think of the world without Sandra in it. She was my best friend, but she didn't have a best friend - everyone was her best friend. She taught me to tolerate rather than judge and I loved her generosity of spirit - they broke the mould when Sandra was born. Christine Kilby (and Clive).

Nothing I could say would ever do her justice - a lovely, kind interesting lady, interested in everyone and everything. Stella (and Harry) Gray.

You are sorely missed ---- but never forgotten. Will.

To me, Sandra was magical, the little lady with the huge personality, the biggest smile and the most loving of hearts,. We were so different; her calmness would dampen my fiery temper, her laughter would lighten my load. Sandra was more than a friend, she was my everything. Pamela.

Sandra's generous and joyful spirit brought us friendship, incredible massages, her lovely house in Spain for holidays, allotment veggies, wisdom and a lot of raucous laughter. Chrissie and Jim Davies.

Flamboyant headgear for the Festivals. Sally x

Always happy, such Karma and never a bad word said about anyone or anything, forever looking at the positive side of life. That's our Sandra! Forever in our thoughts. Vicki and Gary Bidwell

Sandra always said I was the first person she met in Swavesey; I was by the bus stop as she moved in and ran across to tell her I was her new neighbour. It took two years for us to realise we had both lived in Assam, India at the same time in the 60s and 70s and had many mutual friends. Such a kind and thoughtful person. Mo Hadfield

My best friend, you will be sadly missed. Goodbye. Mick

White Horse News

OAP lunches on Wednesday and Thursday, £6.95 for 2 courses.

Blue Thunder Rock Covers Band on Saturday August 1.

Doctors Surgeries

Swavesey Surgery

(01954) 230202

Out of hours 0330 123 9131

Over Surgery

(01954) 231550

Out of hours 0330 123 9131

Longstanton

(01954) 207600

Out of hours 111

Bar Hill Surgery

(01954) 780442

Out of hours (01954) 780442 -
call will automatically be diverted

Fenstanton

7E High Street, Fenstanton

01480 461873

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call will automatically be diverted

See our website at www.swavesey.org.uk for the full and latest surgery newsletters. Ed

New 'satnav' driving test introduced: is this the end for the three-point turn?

A Scottish teenager has become the first person in the UK to pass the DVSA's new 'satnav' driving test. 17-year-old Grant Ferguson from Bishopbriggs in East Dunbartonshire followed a sat-nav route for 20 minutes of his test, one of a raft of changes brought in by the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency in order to shake up the test and make it more reflective of modern driving practices in the UK today.

Other changes that have been introduced alongside the sat-nav test include the scrapping of the three-point turn test and reversing around a corner, which will be replaced with reversing into a parking space instead. Questions about safety will also be asked while the test is taking place, as opposed to beforehand as they currently are. With the 1st June marking the 80th anniversary of the introduction of the driving test in the UK, this is the biggest transformation of the test since the introduction of the written theory exam in 1996. After passing his test, Grant Ferguson commented that "Introducing the sat-nav into the test is about training to make sure that you're only listening for guidance and not staring at the screen too often", something that we at Andy's Kars strongly agree with.

Sat-navs are now so widely used in the UK and on an international level that ignoring the way in which they have changed how we drive would be willfully ignorant. Using sat-navs in a safe manner is essential if you want to stay safe on the roads; after all, we've all heard the horror stories of people nearly driving headfirst off cliffs because they've trusted their sat-navs more than their common sense! Looking at screens, whether it is your sat-nav or your mobile is a very dangerous thing to do while driving, and we believe that anything that can drum this into people right from the start of their driving career is only going to be a good thing.

The new test, which began its pilot in April, is likely to be trialed by 1,000 people before it is reviewed and then either put into common usage or changed accordingly. Despite many people agreeing that the sat-nav test is a step in the right direction if the DVSA want to reflect modern driving practices, there has been some criticism, especially about plans to get rid of the three-point turn test. At Andy's Kars, we believe that while reversing into parking spaces is a good introduction to the test, as it is something that drivers need to do most days of their lives, it is also important to keep the three-point turn, as it is an essential part of every drivers skillset. We therefore ask the DVSA to re-consider their stance on this at the end of the trial period, and see if they can find a way of incorporating both into the test. Why not share your thoughts and opinions about the new satnav test with us on twitter, or if you've recently passed your test and bought a new car, give us a call to get it serviced on 01954 782666.



*As the new building
Work is completed.
We look forward to
Improved facilities.
KEEP COMING!!*

We welcome families especially on our Tuesday opening and have a good range of books for young readers. We welcome adult readers at all times. There is Wi-Fi and computer access.

So keep coming!

If you are a member of the County Library service you can borrow all our books. You can order books and other material for collection at our Library. You and all your family can also join the library with us and borrow up to 12 books each! And remember - it's all Free!!

Opening hours are now

Tuesday	15.30 to 17.30
Wednesday	18.00 to 20.00
Thursday	18.00 to 20.00

And the first Saturday in every month 10am to 12noon

Your Library Committee can be contacted through:

Richard Hart	202707	Sarah Hellon	230960
Jacqui Fuller	230774	John Pook	230978
Sue Jones	230650	Doug and Lorraine Hunt	232478

**We always welcome volunteers to help man the Library so
please join us and keep your library alive!!!**

SCHOOLS INFORMATION



9am – 10am	Sing Up	choir	4yrs – 12yrs
10am – 11am	Rockin' Rhythms I	interactive theory lessons	4yrs – 7yrs
	Rockin' Rhythms II		8+yrs
	Rockin' Rhythms III		Grade 3+
11am – 12pm	Junior Orchestra	instrumental ensemble	all levels; all ages
	Rock School	guitars, drums, vocals	9+yrs

£3.50 per session!

Swavesey Music School
Swavesey Village College
Gibraltar Lane
Swavesey
CB24 4RS

Now in its 7th Year!

Term starts September 13th. ~ come along and find out

what it's all about!

Audrey Caldwell, Director of Music
acaldwell@swaveseyvc.co.uk
<http://swaveseyms.co.uk/>

Swavesey Village College - New Evening Classes

Acrylic Painting for Beginners (Animals) - 1st class FREE	Thursday	starts 17/09/2015 18:00:20:00	5 weeks
Dressmaking and Soft Furnishings - 1st class FREE	Thursday	starts 05/11/2015 19:00-21:00	5 weeks
Introduction to Cake Decorating	Monday	starts 09/11/2015 19:00-21:00	5 weeks
Upholstery - Mixed Level	Thursday	starts 24/09/2015 16.45-18.45	10 weeks
Digital Photography for Beginners - 1st class FREE	Monday	starts 21/09/2015 19:00-21:00	5 weeks
Belly Dancing - for Beginners - 1st class FREE	Monday	starts 21/09/2015 19:00-20:00	10 weeks
Classical Pilates Plus for Men - 1st class FREE	Wednesday	starts 23/09/2015 19:00-20:00	10 weeks
Kettlelice - New!	Monday	starts 21/09/2015 18:30-19:30	10 weeks

For more information on these and other classes see:-

www.swaveseyvc.co.uk/page/?title=Community+Education&pid=39

Swavesey Playtimers

Tuesday 10-11.30am

In the back room of the Bethel Church, different craft activities, stories and themes each week. £2

Wednesday 10-12noon

At the Memorial Hall, singing with Sharon from 11.15am, all ages. £4

All children under 5 welcome to these term-time toddler groups. Find out what is going on from our Facebook group – "Swavesey playgroups". A great chance to meet local parents.

APRIL BURGESS MARTIN SCHOOL OF BALLET

Ballet classes at Over Primary School

Thursday afternoons for age 3+ - 16+

Please contact April Martin for information on places for the new term.

Qualified experienced teacher Associate of ARBTA
Member BDQT (DBS Checked)



☎ 01954 200533

tutusrus@ntlworld.com





Rainbows are coming to Swavesey!

Caroline Stevens and Kate Wilson will be opening a new Rainbows unit on Thursday evenings from 6 - 7.15pm.

Rainbows are girls aged five to seven who follow a programme called The Rainbow Jigsaw, through which they can take part in lots of different activities with girls their own age.

Do you have a daughter in, or approaching this age group who would be interested in joining Rainbows?

Please register at: www.girlguiding.org.uk/interested
Or email: 1stSwaveseyRainbows@gmail.com



BATS



Baby **A**nd **T**oddler **S**ervices are informal services held on the second Monday of each month at 10:30am on the carpet at the back of St Andrew's church on Station Road, Swavesey.

All ages are welcome, but especially pre-school children and their parents and carers. Please join in with us for a story, songs, prayer, craft, drink and a biscuit, and a chance to chat with others.

When the second Monday occurs in the school holidays, please bring your school age children too.

If you would like to know more, then contact Caroline Stevens, by phone: 01954 231433 or email her at: caroline@overroad.co.uk

Forthcoming BATS

We continue the theme "Jesus loves me"

Monday 10th Aug 2015 – Zacchaeus climbs a tree

Monday 14th Sep 2015 – Jesus feeds a crowd



CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART **19 Needingworth Road, St Ives**

Parish Priest: Father Edward Tredota
Assistant Priest: Father Marek Pabis

Tel: 01480 462192
www.sacredheart-stives.org
email: office@sacredheart-stives.org

Mass Times
Saturday 17.00 (Anticipatory)
Sunday 08.00 and 11.00

We also have a large hall available for hire.
Please contact the parish office for details.

The Parish and Priory Church of St Andrew, Swavesey

A warm welcome awaits you at all the services and events of your parish church.

August and September Diary	
Sunday 2nd August	Ninth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 13)
11.00am Parish Communion 6.30pm Evensong	
<i>Monday 3rd August – Friday 7th August</i> <i>St Mary's, Fen Drayton, Holiday Club (ages 5-11)</i> 'Landlubbers' <i>9.30am-12 noon at Fen Drayton Village Hall</i> <i>Details from the Vicar on 01954 231903 or vicar@honeyhill.org</i>	
Sunday 9th August	Tenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 14)
8.15am Holy Communion 11.00am Parish Communion	
Monday 10th August	
10.30am Baby And Toddler Service (BATS) 11.30am Holy Communion <i>in the Community Room at Thistle Green</i>	
Sunday 16th August	Eleventh Sunday after Trinity (Proper 15)
8.15am Holy Communion 11.00am Parish Communion 7.00pm Sunday Sanctuary at St Andrew's, Swavesey	
Sunday 23rd August	Twelfth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 16)
8.15am Holy Communion 11.00am Family Service with Holy Communion	

Sunday 30th August	Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 17)
8.15am Holy Communion 11.00am Parish Communion	
Sunday 6th September	Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 18) <i>(The Vicar's final services in the parish)</i>
11.00am Parish Communion 6.30pm Evensong	
Monday 7th September	
*11.30am Holy Communion <i>in the Community Room at Thistle Green</i>	
Sunday 13th September	Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 19)
*8.15am Holy Communion 11.00am Parish Communion	
Monday 14th September	Holy Cross Day
10.30am Baby And Toddler Service (BATS)	
Sunday 20th September	Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 20)
*8.15am Holy Communion 11.00am Parish Communion 7.00pm Sunday Sanctuary at Bethel Baptist Church	
Sunday 27th September	Harvest Festival
*8.15am Holy Communion 11.00am Family Service with Holy Communion for Harvest Festival 12 noon Harvest Lunch in Church	

* After 6th September, please check service times as it may be necessary to make adjustments.

To arrange weddings, baptisms, services of thanksgiving for the gift of a child, etc., please contact the Vicar, The Revd Dr John-David Yule, on 01954 231903 or www.honeyhill.org

Bethel Baptist Church

Swavesey



BETHEL 175

This year we are celebrating our 175th anniversary. We have a series of events lined up each month.

We hope that you will be able to join us in these celebrations.

Contact us:

admin@bethelbaptistchurch.org.uk

Or Join us on facebook

www.facebook.com/bethel175

to keep in touch with what is happening

COMPASS YOUTH CAFE

A drop-in session on Friday evenings from **7:00pm - 9:00pm** for anyone from school **YR8 to YR11**.

Come and go as you like!

Music, X-box games on the big screen, laptops, drinks & snacks.

FREE internet access!

Bethel Baptist Church

Swavesey



LIVELY SUNDAY SERVICE

ALL WELCOME

Something for ALL the family!

10:45 am each week with Activities for children 0 — 16 years

First Sunday in the Month — 9:30 am service, followed by Church around the coffee table at 10:45 am!

Why not come and try it?

MONDAY NIGHT CLUBS

Explorers, Adventurers and Survivors

Fun and Games for Children in Keystages 1, 2 and 3 every Monday night during term-time.

Come and Join us at 6:00pm for an hour of fun activities as we learn about the Christian faith through stories, music and discussions. (*Survivors meet at 7:00pm*)

For more information on weekly events:

Please feel free to contact David Mann, our minister at minister@bethelbaptistchurch.org.uk or 01954230458

www.bethelbaptistchurch.org.uk

PARISH AND COUNTY NEWS

From Your DC - Sue Ellington

Hello Everybody

The election brought surprises but for South Cambs District Council the political make up has only increased the conservative majority by one. I have now been formally elected as Chairman of the Authority which means I have to chair council meetings and represent the Authority at civic events but Cllr Ray Manning from Willingham is the political leader and makes the difficult decisions. I am very fortunate that Miss Sue Atkinson has agreed to be my consort and accompany me to all the events. I have started a twitter blog - #J1SME to record all our visits – I need to practice a bit to get it right. I have chosen Dogs for the Disabled as my charity and I shall be running a number of events to raise money to buy and train a puppy to help a disabled person. I would ideally like it to go to a dyslexic child but I cannot guarantee that.

I continue to be the council lead on health issues and regularly attend Health and Wellbeing Committee meetings as well as the Health Committee meetings. There is so much going on to change the way health care is delivered that it is difficult to record it all for you. The Health Service is an enormous machine, involving so many different departments and management organisations. I am not convinced the new system will be entirely successful but we have to try to mould what we have got. Uniting Care Partnerships is now responsible for all the care of elderly people and they are working hard to develop services which will keep people in their own homes rather than rush everybody to hospital. They are introducing teams including doctors, nurses and paramedics who will visit the person at home and maintain them there. This must be the right way for a high proportion of people because my experience says if you go to hospital you become immobile, catch infections, lose social contacts and it causes significant stress to leave family, friends, pets and home for long periods.

I, like a large number of people who have contacted me, am totally frustrated at the time it is taking to build the homes in school lane. I had been told it was a "Great Crested Newt problem" so I went to investigate with Rob Mungovan the Ecology Officer. He assures me it is not the newt's fault but Natural England who have been very slow in granting the licence now that the survey and conditions have been agreed.

Have a great summer and ring, email or speak to me if there is anything I can do to clarify an issue or try to sort a problem – that is what I am primarily here to do

Sue Ellington
01954 202923
07774146331
CllrEllington@scams.gov.uk

The Thomas Galon Charity

In the year 1528, Thomas Galon left land for the benefit of the community of Swavesey. A charity was set up enabling Trustees to distribute the income from this land to people in need. Today the Trustees generally meet twice a year, in April and November to consider grants to benefit local residents.

Energy Grant Scheme

Under this scheme, villagers who are aged 70 or over and have lived in the village for 2 years or more, who find it difficult to pay their energy bills and need assistance, can apply to the Galon's Charity for an energy grant. At the November meeting, Trustees will consider the amount of grant, depending on funds available, to be paid in the December.

An application form is available if you wish to apply for assistance from this scheme, from the Clerk to the Trustees. Or can be downloaded from the Charity website (linked from www.swavesey.org.uk). If you are already in receipt of this grant you need not re-apply.

If you would like any further information on help available from the Thomas Galon Charity then please contact the Clerk to the Charity:

Mrs Linda Miller, 21 Thistle Green, Swavesey. Tel: 202982

E-mail: thomasgaloncharity@swavesey.org.uk or any of the Trustees as follows:

Mr J Shepperson (Chairman 230313)	Mr A R Parish (231678)
Mr D Morgan (230249)	Mr A Day (230050)
Mr J Dodson (230560)	Mr B Baker (230344)
Mr W Wright (203172)	Mr R Holland (230077)
Rev Dr J D Yule (231903)	

All enquiries will be considered in strict confidence.

Further history on the charity can be found on the charity website, which is linked from the main village website at www.swavesey.org.uk

August 2015

Public Open Space Areas in the Village

The Parish Council is responsible for various public open space areas around the village, some of which are play areas and some wildlife or grassed areas. The Council is looking at improving a few of these over the next year as detailed below:

Carters Way-Priory Avenue, open space area

A roughly rectangular tarmac area in the middle of this housing estate. Provided by the developer "for the purpose of children's recreation".

A working party is being formed to look at how this area can be improved. We would like to hear your thoughts and ideas.

We have signed up to the RHS It's Your Neighbourhood campaign, which supports community groups in cleaning up areas of communal land needing a revamp.



Moat Way Play Area

A grassed open space area, provided with a children's play area for younger children. This has just had a new play equipment area provided, which is being extremely well used.

The next phase is to improve the landscaping around it and provide some lighting. Options are to provide a solar LED light column to light the children's play area; a bench towards the front of the grassed area; complete the diamond-rail fencing along the front and underplant with shrubs; tidy up the trees and shrubs around the perimeter and create a wildflower area around the mound towards the back of the site.

Recreation Green

Following a very wet winter, with football not able to be played on the green from end of November through to early February, the Council is working with Spartans FC to undertake a major drainage project on the green.

A substantial grant application has been applied for, to pay for underground pipe drainage and other improvements. If successful this will be installed sometime across the summer/early autumn and will benefit not only the sports facilities but all users of the green, from recreational to community events.

If you would like to help with the Carters Way-Priory Avenue project, or have any ideas or comments on any of these projects, please contact the Parish Council at clerk@swavesey.org.uk



Swavesey Village College fundraising given boost from Parish Council donation

Swavesey Village College has been given a boost in their fundraising from Swavesey Parish Council and Ridgeons who have donated new tools and equipment towards the engineering department.

The donation was made through the Parish Council's Youth and Community Fund which provides funding for local projects.

Andy Daly, Principal at Swavesey Village College, said: "We'd like to say a big thank you to Swavesey Parish Council and Ridgeons for their generous donation. I know that our students will benefit greatly from the equipment, and that's the aim of our FAST campaign (Fundraising for Arts, Sport and Technology) - to give our students the best possible facilities in which to learn."

Martin Johnston, Chairman of Swavesey Parish Council said: "Having attended the recent presentation at the College of the new classrooms and facilities, the Parish Council is very pleased to be able to support the College and its community facilities with this donation."

The Parish Council would like to thank Ridgeons of Cambridge for their help in putting together the package of equipment and their support of the community facilities at the College.



*Chris Foskett (Ridgeons Ltd),
Linda Miller and Martin Johnston (Parish Council),
Andy Daly – Principal with students from Swavesey Village College*

Swavesey Parish Council

SWAVESEY PARISH

Parish Council News June July 2015

ANNUAL MEETING

Martin Johnson was elected as chairman for the coming year and representation on committees and other bodies was agreed. Policies and procedures were updated and confirmed.

THE POST OFFICE

A packed public meeting on May 13th questioned a representative from the Post Office on the proposed move to Cost Cutters. There was almost unanimous opposition to the move. The Clerk has established that in addition to the meeting there has been a high level of letters of opposition sent in response to the consultation. A decision is awaited (at time of writing on 23rd June).

COUNTY COUNCIL

The PC has joined Over Parish Council in commenting on the Boundary Commission's draft proposals for the reorganisation of County Councillor areas. The PC supports links to Over and more of the area being to the north of the A14, as opposed to our current ward area which stretches out beyond Papworth to Croxton nr St Neots.

Highways maintenance repairs were discussed particularly at the flyover and junction to the A14.

The PC agreed to proceed with the marking of parking bays and yellow lines in Market Street, and agreed the necessary funding. The work will be carried out by the County Council. The PC continues to press for completion of the street lighting work.

The Primary School head has asked the PC to consider accessing the school from the village green when the building work is complete. The PC agreed that the proposal was worth considering further.

DISTRICT COUNCIL

The request for a deed of easement to enable surface water and sewage from the affordable housing site in Fen Drayton Road to connect into drains in Moat Way, via a route under Parish owned public open space area, was discussed. The PC agreed to ask for a sum in payment that would allow the ditch running down School Lane to be cleared to run freely. We await the developer's response.

The PC continues to pursue concerns about drainage issues associated with Northstowe.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH AND POLICE BUSINESS.

The PC thanked Polly Wilderspin for her ten years as our Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator as she now feels it is time to step down. Polly set up the current network and has made an excellent and valued contribution to village life. We hope that someone feels able to take forward her work. Please contact the clerk if you are interested.

COUNCIL NEWS

The Chairman of the PC has noted more crime in the village, this and concerns about the poor response on the 101 telephone contact number have been raised with the Police.

VILLAGE MATTERS

A comprehensive Drainage Scheme for the Village Green was agreed by the PC. The result of grant funding submission is awaited. Discussions continue with the Football Clubs as to ways to manage and meet the costs of the resulting maintenance and upkeep of the work.

The PC agreed to improvements to the Moat Way play area including a bench and a solar lighting standard and additional shrubs and planting.

The village sign in Market Street is to be repainted.

The PC agreed to proceed with a new website design. The clerk will be the new webmaster and the site will include all the current information and allow future links to village groups etc.

The plans for the Carters Way/Priory Avenue play area are covered elsewhere in the Meridian.

PLANNING

The PC considered a planning application for 30 new dwellings adjacent to 18 Boxworth End. The PC was unanimous in objecting to the proposal. The full reasons can be found in the PC meeting minutes of 18th May.

The owners of 37 Market Street submitted a pre application proposal for the site comprising the restoration of the listed cottage plus two further houses. Councillors expressed concern at over development of the site in an important village location and concerns about flooding, parking and access.

The PC continues to raise objections to the Northstowe Phase 2 application on the grounds of incomplete drainage works which were a condition of the Phase 1 approval, in particular in relation to Mare Fen drainage ditch.

FINANCE

The 2015/16 budget was approved at the January meeting resulting in a precept of £54,800. (For full details see the January minutes on the Parish Council's website).



Council Agendas, Minutes and current issues can all be found on the Parish Council webpage at www.swavesey.org.uk

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Cambridgeshire Crimestoppers Tackling Crime on Your Doorstep

The independent crime-fighting charity Crimestoppers is reminding the residents across Cambridgeshire to be aware of doorstep crime during the long days of summer and autumn and to report any suspicious activity. Doorstep criminals typically employ a number of ruses to gain the confidence of victims before defrauding or stealing from them. They will also target the more vulnerable members of our communities.

Between May 2014 and April 2015 there were over 500 instances of suspected rogue trading reported to Cambridgeshire Police.

The most common types of doorstep criminals are those more commonly known as a 'rogue traders'. These criminals masquerade as genuine businesses and set out to deliberately over-charge for unsatisfactory goods or services.

Typical services preferred by rogue traders are driveway maintenance, pressure-washing, gardening, roofing and guttering. *(Continued)*

Rogue traders rarely offer the statutory 14 day cooling off period applicable for work costing more than £42, often insist on large amounts of cash up front and can be intimidating. Once they have found a victim they often return in the future under a new guise.

Another group of doorstep criminals are those who trick their way into victims' houses with the intention of stealing any valuables they can find within. These 'distraction burglars' often pose as workmen who ask to check something in the house and whilst left alone they, or an accomplice, will look for something easy to steal, such as cash, a handbag or jewellery. Among the most common of the excuses offered are needed to check the water supply and searching for a lost pet or ball.

How to deal with unexpected and unwanted visitors on your doorstep

Remember the following 4 principles:

LOCK: Ensure you keep exterior doors and windows locked.

STOP: Before you answer the door, stop and think whether you are expecting anyone.

CHAIN: Put the door bar or chain on. Look through the spyhole or the window to see who it is. Always keep the bar or chain on while you are talking to the person on the doorstep.

CHECK: Ask for and carefully check the caller's ID card as all genuine callers will always carry one. If they do not have an ID card then do not let them in

If you have any information about crime or criminals, please call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111. No one will ever know who you are. Individuals can also pass on information anonymously via the Crimestoppers website at www.crimestoppers-uk.org.

From your CC Mandy Smith

Good day
I hope all is well? If not can I help?

The Boundary Commission are currently carrying out a review of The County Council Divisions, more details are on their website, or please contact me and I will explain what is happening.

I would like to discuss Time Banking, this is a scheme which is run by residents (or me), who help out other residents, it is easier to explain face to face, so please feel free to contact me at any time about it, would you like to volunteer? it may just be collecting somebodys shopping for example. I will bring more news in a later edition.

As of May, I was elected as the Vice Chairman of The County Council, this is a

great honour, as I get used to the role, I will bring you more updates.

The County Council is having to make savings across the board, I am happy to discuss any changes that may have happened as a result, please come back to me.

I look forward to hearing from you
Best Wishes
Mandy Smith
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Ridgeleys Farm, High Street, Fen Drayton
Cambs CB2445J
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Swavesey Community Warden

We are delighted to announce a new Community Warden for Swavesey has started in her role. Lyn Homer has taken over from Alice Bradley who herself will still provide cover for the service.

Lyn is very familiar with the Swavesey area and has a wealth of experience working with older people over a number of years.

The service which is managed by Age UK Cambridgeshire is part-funded by Swavesey Parish Council, South Cambs District Council, The Thomas Galon Charity and Bethel Church. It aims to support the wellbeing and independence of older people by providing daily contact (Monday to Friday) either by personal visit or telephone call to ensure a sense of security.

Examples of the help Lyn can give you:

- Provide a listening ear
- Making drinks and light meals
- Watering plants
- Feeding pets
- Small items of shopping
- Collecting prescriptions
- Information and guidance

You can join the service on a short term basis, maybe after hospital discharge or if your family are on holiday and you require extra support, or on a long term basis. You will be entitled to a two week free trial, and after the free trial we do charge a small fee of £5 per week which is payable to the warden.

To find out more about the service please call Age UK Cambridgeshire on 0300 666 9860. Cambridgeshire Celebrates Age in Swavesey

Following the success of last year's Cambridgeshire Celebrates Age event in Swavesey an afternoon of tea and entertainment will be held on Thursday 1st October at the Bethel Baptist Church from 2pm. The free event is open to those aged 60 or over, although family members are very welcome to accompany you. Tea and cakes will be served as well as a free raffle and Adrian Bond will once again be singing a mix of well-known songs. Transport can be provided. To book a place or to find out more please call Age UK Cambridgeshire on 01354 696650.

To whom it may concern,

I have been researching my family tree recently and found some of my distant relatives lived in Swavesey. Whilst looking through the census records, I came across an Elizabeth Spring, aged 27 in 1881. It stated her occupation as a licensed victualler. I did not know what this was at first, but looked it up online. I then looked into where she lived. It records her as living at number 11 High Street, Swavesey with her husband Samuel J Spring also 27 and a carrier and poulterer. But, in brackets underneath the address, it says Rising Sun. I was then curious to look into this further and hence why I am writing to you. I found your section on pubs which states the pub to be at 27 High Street and not licensed until 1910. Despite being mentioned in 1877. I thought this information may be of some use to yourself for your records.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Sabrina Greenley.

If anyone has any further information on the Rising Sun or her relatives please let us know and we will forward it on to Mrs Greenley. Ed (editor@swavesey.org.uk)



Help to stay independent, safe and well

Many of us don't think about care and support until we or someone we know need it, then find we are unsure where to find information and how to access the support we need.

A new online resource is providing information about care and support and wellbeing, including information about continuing to live independently and safely at home, make life easier, get support after a stay in hospital, or find out about care home and housing options and paying for care and support. You can find out more by visiting:-

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/careandsupport

If you do not have access to the Internet, can't find what you need online, or want more information, you can phone 0345 045 5202 or visit any Cambridgeshire Library (also known as community hubs).

Swavesey's Two of the Few

As we approach the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Britain it may come as a surprise to many but in fact 2 of "The Few", as epitomised by the late Winston Churchill in one of his greatest & most famous war-time speeches, were airman and brothers from the Barwell family, resident in Swavesey, and are now both commemorated in the family plot in the village churchyard as well as the Battle of Britain Monument.

Philip Barwell received his flying badge at RAF Duxford as early as 1925 and 10 years later was a flying instructor at RAF Upavon. He was in command of 46 squadron out of RAF Digby from the start of 1937 until the end of October '39 and by this time he had seen much action and had been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and promoted to Wing Commander. During the Battle of Britain period of summer 1940 Philip was flying Hurricanes from RAF Coltishall in Suffolk and by mid summer '41 he had been promoted to Group Captain and was in command at Biggin Hill in Kent, seeing much action with success on patrols over the channel. At one point at the turn of the year he was forced to crash land just short of the runway resulting in a fracture to his back but within months was back on active service again with a brace on his back.

Just before sunset on July 1st '42 Philip took off for a coastal patrol with his squadron leader and they were attacked by 2 inexperienced allied pilots who were flying Spitfires out of Tangmere and his Hurricane was downed in the Channel. He was seen to be trying to open the plane's canopy but was unable to bale out and in spite of intensive searches no trace was ever found. Sadly his body was later washed up upon the French coast and was subsequently laid to rest in the Canadian War Cemetery in Calais.

Philip's younger brother Eric joined the RAF volunteer reserve and trained as a pilot at Cambridge in 1939 and joined 264 squadron in February '40, the squadron flew the Defiant, which was a single engine fighter plane but unusual in that it had no forward firing guns but a rear facing gun turret. The squadron was flying from Manston in Kent during the evacuation from Dunkirk and on two patrols on May 29th was accredited with shooting down no less than 37 enemy aircraft. A couple of days later his plane was damaged over the channel and he managed to bring it down on the water close to a destroyer in the line of vessels on their way back with evacuees and he managed to get his unconscious gunner out of the cockpit and keep his head above water until being plucked from the water by a small pick-up boat from the destroyer HMS Malcolm.

During the Battle of Britain period later that summer 264 squadron suffered severe losses and was withdrawn to the North of England for training as a night-fighter squadron and having himself been accredited with destroying 6 enemy aircraft during the spring & summer period Eric was also awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

By 1942 Eric was flight commander in charge of 125 squadron which was by now flying Beaufighters which had replaced the Defiant and by early '43 the squadron was flying

Mosquitos with much success as a night fighting squadron which continued to support the Normandy beachhead in summer '44. As a result of his efforts Eric was awarded another DFC to go with his earlier one and on August 10th he shot down a V1 flying bomb as it approached the Kent coast on its way to London.

The following month he was posted to command an experimental squadron named the Fighter Interception Unit flying Tempests & Mustangs, which was set up to devise tactics to combat the threat of the V1 flying bombs by shooting down as many as possible over the channel which was obviously successful as it was not long before Eric was promoted Wing Commander and placed in control of night fighter operations at the HQ of the Second Tactical Air Force. He returned to operations in April 1945 prior to his discharge in the September. In addition the his 2 DFCs he was also mentioned in despatches and received the Air Efficiency Award.

After the war Eric returned to the village and the family firm of Barwell engineering which, as finance director, he ran along with his younger brother John until the firm was bought out in the mid '70s. Eric passed away in December 2007 but his war-time flying exploits along with those of his brother Philip and the others comprising "The Few" have already gone down in history and Swavesey should be proud of them.

By Will Wright

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO'S SWIMMING WITH SHARKS?



They may not have fins or killer jaws, but loan sharks – or illegal moneylenders – are every bit as dangerous and predatory as their name suggests.

Victims are not only charged astronomical rates of interest, but very often face violence, intimidation or blackmail if they fall behind with their payments. Great news - a specialist Trading Standards team is helping to hunt down the illegal money lenders.

What is a loan shark?

A loan shark is someone who lends money without the permission required by the Financial Services & Markets Act 2000. Permission is granted by the Financial Conduct Authority to individuals or companies whom they believe are “fit and proper”.

Loan Sharks - Dispelling the Myths

One of the things that has become apparent is that there are lots of myths around loan shark activities that have no truth whatsoever. For example:

MYTH – There's nothing you can do about loan sharks

FACT – It is illegal for anyone to operate a money lending business if they do not have permission from the Financial Conduct Authority

MYTH – You have to pay back what the loan shark says you owe

FACT – A loan made by an illegal money lender (without a license) is unenforceable without permission from the Financial Conduct Authority. This means that you cannot legally be made to pay it back.

MYTH – If you borrow from a loan shark, you commit an offence

FACT – It is the loan shark who is behaving illegally. Reporting the loan shark's activity will not get you into trouble with the authorities.

MYTH – Loan sharks provide a reasonable priced service

FACT – The average cost of borrowing from a loan shark is three times the price of the highest cost of legal credit. The highest interest rate the team have come across so far was 131,000% APR. One victim was receiving benefits of £74 per week. The loan shark took £50 a week, leaving just £24 to live on.

How can you help?

1. Talk to your friends and family about loan sharks – ask them if they know of any loan sharks operating in your area.
2. Tell us! The only way we can help is if we know about the problem. You don't have to give us your name or sign an official statement if you don't want to.

If you or someone you know is a victim of a loan shark operating in your area, contact Trading Standards Illegal Money Lending Team in strictest confidence:

24 hour confidential hotline - 0300 555 2222

Or text 'loan shark + your message' to 60003

Alternatively email reportaloanshark@stoploansharks.gov.uk

For more information visit www.gov.uk/stoploansharks

Community Groups & Charities

Cam Sight	Cam Sight is a local charity which offers support to anyone with a visual impairment, along with their family and carers. We meet on the 4th Wednesday afternoon of each month in Bar Hill. For more information please telephone Joan in Bar Hill on 01954 200622 or Alison at Cam Sight on 01223 420033 or email alison@camsight.org.uk . For more info see: www.camsight.org.uk
CAMTAD	CAMTAD is a charity that helps people with hearing loss. Volunteers service NHS hearing aids and provide batteries and they attend Swavesey quarterly at Thistle Green. Advice on any aspects of hearing loss is available at a hearing help session or by calling the office on 01223 416141, e-mail admin@camtadcambs.org.uk or check the website www.camtadcambs.org.uk .
Care Network	Care Network supports volunteers, encourages independence and develops good neighbour projects. We provide the Welcome Home from Hospital service across Cambridgeshire. Contact:- Care Network, 5 Broadway House, 149-151 St Neots Rd, Hardwick, Cambridge, CB23 7QJ (tel: 01954 211919).
Community First Responder Scheme	The local group in Over and Swavesey has provided help over many hours and attended over 20 patients in your community. You can support the group and help to fundraise for equipment or volunteer to become a Community First Responder within your community. Contact: responderadmin@eastamb.nhs.uk or call 01284 731802
Hearing Dogs for Deaf People	Hearing Dogs for Deaf People is a national charity and centre of excellence in training dogs to alert deaf people to important sounds and danger signals in the home, work place and public buildings. Contact:- Jenny Parker (Branch Organiser and Speaker) 01223 833562 (evenings only). jennifer.parker5@btopenworld.com
The Friends of the Rosie Hospital	The Friends of the Rosie Hospital are helping to make the Rosie a more comfortable environment for mothers and babies. Contact:- Mrs Mary Sanders (Hon Chair) rosieinstches@ukonline.co.uk Tel 01223 356615
East Anglia's Children's Hospice (EACH)	Put your free time to good use and volunteer at East Anglia's Children's Hospice (EACH) in Milton. Volunteering at a children's hospice doesn't always mean care work and fundraising as there are also tasks such as admin and maintenance of the grounds. Contact:- Clare Bates on 01223 815 134, email clare.bates@each.org.uk
Community Resourcing	We have a small group of local volunteers (local residents from our community) who would like to help other members of our community with any practical tasks. Contact:- Parish Council Tel: 01954 202982 or Email: clerk@swavesey.org.uk
Help the Heroes	We support those wounded in the service of our country. Contact:- 01480 478526
OWLS Community Car Scheme	Run by CRB checked volunteers the scheme offers a door-to-door service, for medical or some social journeys, to people who are unable to access other forms of transport. Ring 07505 254363 to book a journey, find out more, or to volunteer as a driver
Swavesey Village College Community Education	Evening courses in a variety of subjects and day workshops. Contact:- Adult Education, Swavesey Village College, Gibraltar Lane, Swavesey, Cambs, CB24 4RS. Telephone: 01954 230373 E-mail: community@swaveseyvc.co.uk Website: www.swaveseyvc.co.uk

CLUB INFORMATION

Allotments in Swavesey	Down Hale Road towards the windmill and on the right there are 61 plots, mostly 150 sq yds (125 m2) in area, backed up by eight water tanks. Large yields of a wide range of high quality vegetable, fruit and flower crops can be grown successfully. If you are interested in joining the waiting list contact Selwyn Richardson on 01954 202974.
Army Cadet Force	Swavesey Detachment, No 2 (Cromwell) Company, Cambridgeshire Army Cadet Force meets each Tuesday evening at the Swavesey Village College from 7 pm. New recruits are welcomed from ages 12 years (year 8) to 18 years. Contact - Alan Stagg on 01480 830708
Bell Ringers	Practice night Tuesdays, 7.30-9.00pm at St Andrew's Church. New ringers of all ages welcome. Contact Tower Captain Andrew Stevens on (01954 231433) for details. Email: andrew@overoad.co.uk Website: www.honeyhill.org/bells.htm
British Legion	For information contact:- Chairman - Robert W Bond (01954) 203645 or Secretary Angela Dye (01954) 230484
Fenland Squash Club	If you are interested in playing squash at Swavesey Village College then contact Geoff Green on (01954 231000) Website: www.fenlandsquash.org.uk
British Tang Soo Do Institute	British Tang Soo Do Institute practices the Korean martial art of Tang Soo Do. Our club training covers self defence techniques and many aspects of fitness including flexibility, coordination, conditioning, balance and discipline helping to promote a healthy lifestyle. Our clubs welcome mixed abilities of all ages. After school clubs are held for Infants (3.45pm to 4.15pm) and Juniors (4.15pm to 5.15pm) on Tuesdays at the Memorial Hall, Swavesey; and Infants (3.45pm to 4.15pm) and Juniors (4.15pm to 5.15pm) on Thursdays at Fen Drayton Village Hall. Evening classes for all ages are held on Monday 6.30-8pm at Cambridge Regional College Sports Hall, Wednesday 6.30-8pm at Fen Drayton Village Hall, and Friday 6.30-8pm at Fen Drayton Primary School. For further information please contact Master Jeff Cockram on 07863 345681 or jeff@btsdi.co.uk Website: www.btsdi.com
Over District Rainbows, Brownies & Guides	Over Rainbows: Monday & Tuesday, 5.30pm-6.30pm, Over Primary School - Over Brownies: Wednesday, 6.00pm-7.30pm, Thursday 5.30-7.00pm, Over Church Hall - Over Guides: Tuesday, 7.00pm-9.00pm, Over Church Hall - District Commissioner Jeanette Fenn 01954 232283 jeanette.fenn@hotmail.co.uk
1st Swavesey Brownies	Meet 6:00pm - 7:30pm in the Swavesey Memorial Hall every Monday. We are always looking for new girls and parent helpers. Please contact Catherine Groves (Brown Owl) tel. (01954 202648) or mobile 07969 815198 if you are interested in participating. Email:- brownowl01@virginmedia.com

Swavesey Badminton Club	Located at the Swavesey Village College Sports Centre. The Club offers a high standard of play at club nights on Tuesdays 7pm to 8pm and on Fridays from 6.30pm to 9.30pm. We play competitive badminton in the Cambridge leagues and run men's, women's and mixed teams. Contact Helen Taylor on 01954 230997 Email: enquiries@swaveseybadminton.net website: http://www.swaveseybadminton.net/
Swavesey Billiards and Snooker Club	For information/membership please contact Graeme Waites (01954 230113)
Swavesey Camera Club	Meet every Thursday, 7.30-9.30pm, Lecture Room, SVC. Non-members welcome (£4.00 charge). For further details ring Peter Looper (01954) 202461
Swavesey Community Choir	If you enjoy singing and having fun then come and join Swavesey Community Choir. We meet every Wednesday in term time in St. Cecilia's Hall at SVC, from 7.30pm - 9pm. You don't need to be able to read music and no auditions needed, tenor and bass voices particularly welcome. For further details contact Chrissie Richardson 07881 824095. Website: www.swaveseycommunitychoir.co.uk
1st Swavesey Cub Pack	The Cubs meet at the Scout Hut every Tuesday - 6:15pm – 7:30pm & Friday 5:30pm – 6:45pm. Leader Lynda Mayer 01954 204768 Email:- s.mayer@ntlworld.com
Swavesey District Bridleway Association	A liaison group representing local horse riders whose main aim is to protect existing and create safe new horse riding links between all local villages. New members welcome. Regular Newsletter/Social events calendar. Please contact Sue Rogers (01954) 232758
Swavesey & District History Society	Meet every third Tuesday in the month, 7.30pm, Lecture Room, SVC. Contact Carolyn Redmayne, Secretary (01954) 230037
Swavesey Five-a-Side Football Club	Meet each Wednesday evening at 7pm until 8pm in the Sports Hall at SVC. Anyone interested should contact Stewart Smith on (01954) 200068 or s2art50@lycos.co.uk
Swavesey Institute Football Club	New players always welcome, please contact Phil Baines on 01954 200377 [Saturday sides] or Jerry Ladell on (01954) 201018 [Veterans side].
Swavesey Kids Club	Swavesey Kids Club provides craft/play activities and care for children before and after school, in a friendly and secure environment. Breakfast Club – meets from 7.30am in the Primary School Hall, with breakfast available until 8.15am. After School Club meets 3.15pm-6.00pm weekdays in term time at Swavesey Primary School. For information about either club please contact Carol Panther (manager) 07803812221
Linedance	Linedance classes held on Wednesday mornings at the Bethel Baptist Chapel 9-30 to 11-30am and Fridays at the Memorial Hall 7-15 to 9-15pm. All levels welcome, from absolute beginners to intermediates. Contact Deborah Walker 01954231382 email deborahwalker105@talktalk.net

Swavesey Music School	Meets every Saturday of term time at Swavesey Village College Only £3.00 per session. For further details contact: Audrey Caldwell: acaldwell.chk@swaveseyvc.co.uk
Swavesey & Over Conservation Society	Autumn/Winter meetings on the second Wednesday of the month at Over Town Hall starting in September at 7.30pm Contacts: Frances Parish: 01490 498301 or Pat Miles 01954 780485 if you need further information. New members always welcome!
Swavesey & Over Tennis Club	Club night 1 October to 1 April is on Monday, 7.30pm. From 1 April – 30 September there will be club nights on both Mondays and Fridays. We welcome new members from anywhere in the locality. Further information from John Graham john.graham@sotennis.co.uk or website http://swaveseyandovertennisclub.btck.co.uk/
Swavesey RADsoc	Friendly local drama group staging two or three productions a year. New members always welcome. Contact: Chris Avery (01954) 781233. Visit our website at www.swaveseyradsoc.org.uk .
Swavesey Ramblers	Meet last Sunday of every month 10.00am in the Market Street for 5-6 mile walk. Tel 230650 and speak to Glynis & Sue Jones for more information
1st Swavesey Guides	We meet from 6:30pm to 8.15pm in Bethel Baptist Church Hall every Thursday during term time. For more details please contact Claire Hagger chhagger@gmail.com .
1st Swavesey Sea Scouts	The Scout Group meets every Friday during term time at the Scout Hut on the SVC site (between the youth centre and the squash courts) from 7.30pm. Scout Leader is Andrew Batey; contact: scouts@onthemeridian.org.uk
Swavesey Spartans	Swavesey Spartans are a Chartered Standard Youth Football Club affiliated to Cambridgeshire Football Association. The club runs boys and girls teams from under 6 through to under 17. For information and enquiries please contact:- Chairman - James Tait on 01954 232183 Secretary - Dave Rudderham on 01954 203258 Club Welfare Officer - Carolyn Merricks on 01954 204972
Swavesey Tang Soo Do Club	Classes are held Monday 18:30-20:00 in the main hall at the Primary School, Swavesey and Wednesday 18:30-20:00 in the Memorial Hall. We are a family run club offering Martial Arts training in a friendly atmosphere. Training is available for all ages from 5 and over. Children, adult beginners, family groups and people with previous martial arts experience are all welcome. Contact Louise Morton on 07711 256512 Email: enquiries@swaveseytsd.co.uk - website: http://www.swaveseytsd.co.uk/
Swavesey W.I.	We meet every second Monday of the month at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. New members are always welcome to enjoy a variety of invited speakers and have a chat and cup of tea/coffee afterwards. For further information contact Linda Saunders (01954) 201162

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Please use this form to notify us of any major events you are organising so that we can publish the dates in the magazine and on the website at www.swaveseymeridian.co.uk. It is hoped this will avoid major events clashing on the same day. Please send to the Editor, 14 Black Horse Lane, Swavesey.

Event _____

Location _____ Date _____ Time _____

Contact Name _____ Tel No. _____

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & SPECIAL OCCASIONS

If you would like to mark any occasion that is special to you or somebody that you know by announcing it in this magazine, please fill in the form below.

Also supply your name and contact details, and return to the Editor by the copy date. We will endeavour to include it in our next issue.

SHORT MESSAGE:



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Swavesey Village College:	01954-230366	www.swaveseyvc.co.uk
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The Parish and Priory Church of St Andrew, Swavesey

Get Your Thinking Caps On!



This year's Christmas Tree Festival will be on **Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th December** in St Andrew's Church, Swavesey.



Your tree can be real or artificial and simply decorated, or think 'outside the box' and make an alternative tree; imagination and lateral thinking are encouraged and will make for a more interesting display.

It costs £5 to enter a tree, or you could choose to have your tree sponsored.



There will be new judging categories this year for children and adult entries.

Entry forms available by emailing: caroline@overroad.co.uk

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